

into the enclosure with an opening at the top of the indent.

Remarks

Reconsideration of the application is respectfully requested. Currently, claims 72-82, 88 and 90 are pending in the application. Claims 72, 88, and 90 have been amended.

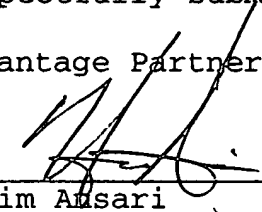
Citing new references, Examiner rejected claims 72-76 under 35 U.S.C. section 102(b) as being anticipated by Matsushima, et al., claims 77-82 under 35 U.S.C. section 103 as being unpatentable over Matsushima in view of Wang, and claims 88 and 90 under 35 U.S.C. section 103 as being unpatentable over Wang in view of Matsushima.

Applicant has amended independent claims 72, 88, and 90 to include limitations not present in the cited prior art. Specifically, Matsushima does not show the rotation of food about a horizontal axis. In view of the foregoing amendments and remarks, it is respectfully submitted that the application is now in condition for allowance and, accordingly, early indication thereof is respectfully requested.

Attached hereto is a marked-up version of the changes made to the claims by the current amendment. The attached page is captioned "Version with markings to show changes made".

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72. (Amended) A rotisserie oven for cooking food, comprising:
an enclosure that includes walls;
a heating element inside the enclosure;
means for rotating the food about a horizontal axis and by the
heating element; and
a vent located in one of the walls of the enclosure, the vent
having an indent extending into the enclosure with an opening at the
top of the indent.

88. (Amended) A rotisserie oven for cooking food, comprising:
an enclosure having a roof, a wall and a curved section
extending from the wall to the roof;
a heating element inside the enclosure;
means for rotating the food about a horizontal axis and by the
heating element; and
a vent located in the curved section;
wherein the vent has an indent extending into the enclosure
with an opening at the top of the indent.

90. (Amended) A rotisserie oven for cooking food, comprising:
an enclosure having a roof, a wall and a curved section
extending from the wall to the roof;
a heating element inside the enclosure;
means for rotating the food about a horizontal axis and
by the heating element; and
a plurality of vents of located in the curved section;
wherein the plurality of vents have an indent extending
into the enclosure with an opening at the top of the indent.

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